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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, as revised on February 4, 1992, 1135 OG 23-24, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. Many of these documents were cited in the parent application which is relied upon for priority under 35 USC §120. Hence, a copy of those documents is not enclosed. A copy of other cited document is enclosed. A few of the documents were not cited in the parent application, and the undersigned presently does not have a copy of these documents. These documents will be submitted as soon as the undersigned receives a copy of them.

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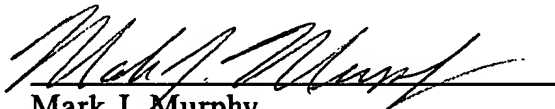
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As this IDS is being submitted within three months of the filing of the application and before a first Office Action has issued, no fee is believed necessary. If a fee should be needed, please charge Deposit Account No. 03-3135.

Respectfully submitted,

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